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TAGS: PFOR, CT

SUBJECT: BOKASSA LETTER RE KOUKA- GANGA DEBT

1. I HAVE RECEIVED LETTER FROM PRESIDENT BOKASSA STATING THAT CAR AMBASSADOR IN MONROVIA HAS JUST INFORMED HIM EX- AMBASSADOR KOUK- GANGA STILL OWES \$3200 US TO THE BANK OF MONROVIA AND THAT LATTER IS NOW RESIDENT IN US WITH HIS AMERICAN WIFE. BOKASSA ASKS IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO POINT OUT THESE FACTS TO MY GOVERNMENT SO THAT MR. KOUKA- GANGA CAN BE INVITED TO SETTLE HIS DEBT WITH LIBERIAN BANK. COPY OF LETTER FORWARDED TO AF/ C- PARKER BY POUCH TODAY.

2. UNLESS DEPARTMENT OR MONROVIA ADVISE OTHERWISE, I INTEND TO ANSWER BOKASSA IN NEXT DAY OR TWO SAYING SIMPLY THAT I HAVE INFORMED THE APPROPRIATE AMERICAN AUTHORITIES REGARDING THIS MATTER AS REQUESTED. SUGGEST DEPT CONTACT KOUKA- GANGA FOR COMMENT, THEN, BASED ON HIS REACTION, FOLLOW- UP WITH GOCAR EMBASSY TO PLACE MATTER IN PROPER CHANNEL WHERE IT BELONGS. WE COULD THEN LATER INFORM BOKASSA WHAT WE HAVE DONE.

3. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.

4. COMMENT: BASED ON AMB. BOUBA' S PREVIOUS PERFORMANCE, THIS SEEMS ANOTHER ATTEMPT BY HIM TO INGRATIATE HIMSELF WITH BOKASSA AT OUR EXPENSE. NEVERTHELESS, GIVEN OUR DEEP PAST INVOLVEMENT IN THIS CASE, BELIEVE WE MUST MAKE AT LEAST MINIMUM RESPONSE TO
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BOKASSA' S REQUEST.

5. FYI: WE HAVE ALSO JUST RECEIVED LETTER FROM LASTER SAYING
KOUKA- GANGA HAS BEEN REQUESTING REGULAR CAR PASSPORT FROM
GOCAR
OFFICIALS, WHO SAY THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED DOCUMENTS. LASTER ASKS
US IF POSSIBLE TO SEE THAT DOCUMENTS ARE DELIVERED. WE HAVE NOT
YET TAKEN ACTION.
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